

**ABSTRACT**

The disclosure concerns an extract of *Acanthopanax koreanum* and its use. More particularly, it concerns the extract of *Acanthopanax koreanum* comprising 1) the extract  
5 of *Acanthopanax koreanum* extracted from water, 2) among the water extract, the extract of *Acanthopanax koreanum* only containing ethanol insoluble part obtained by precipitating ethanol, 3) among the ethanol insoluble part, the extract  
10 of *Acanthopanax koreanum* containing polysaccharide with a molecular weight larger than range of 12,000 ~ 14,000, or 4) among the ethanol insoluble part, the extract of *Acanthopanax koreanum* containing polysaccharide with a molecular weight larger than 100,000, which is respectively  
15 obtained from the root or stem of *Acanthopanax koreanum*. The extract of the present invention shows a high inhibitory activity against hepatitis and protects the liver, and thus, can be used for the treatment or prevention of hepatitis, or as a liver protective drug.